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Five Cents

GHI Board To Clear North End Play Area; Expand Trim Paint Program

By Harry Zubkoff

The Board of Directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. approved an expenditure of \$150 last week to clear a play area for children in the north end of town. The action took place at the Board meeting on Thursday, July 9, at the GHI office on Hamilton Pl., and followed reports by general manager Walker and land committee chairman Elliot Bukzin.

A north end PTA recreation committee had presented a proposal to the board in June to clear an area which was being used for play purposes. The board, at that time, had directed the general manager to determine what legal liability would be attached to the corporation in making such an area attractive to children and whether the present insurance would cover liabilities.

At the meeting last week Walker reported that the corporation would be liable for damages, but that an increased premium of approximately \$10 a year would cover the insurance costs. He recommended that the corporation remove some trees and brush, cut stumps down to ground level, and generally square the area at a total cost of about \$150.

Board member Elliott Bukzin presented these recommendations as a formal motion, and the action was approved by unanimous vote. Bukzin noted that this action set a precedent, since the city, and the city's recreation department, were not involved because the land belongs to GHI and would be used as an unsupervised play area. He expressed the fear that other local groups, encouraged by this precedent, might make similar requests of the board in the future.

David C. Champion who, together with Josephine Seay and Mr. and Mrs. James Mayock, represented the north end group which had requested the play area, expressed approval and gratitude for the board's action.

In response to a request by President Ed Burgoon, Bukzin presented a preliminary report of the land committee. He suggested that the corporation's trim paint program be expanded to include 400 homes a year instead of 300. Maintenance Chief Dave Kane testified that the paint crew could probably handle this additional work-load, and received the board's informal approval to expand the program forthwith. Bukzin also proposed that the corporation paint entire houses, rather than being limited to trim paint, if the members would agree to pay the painting costs. He estimated that the charges would be about \$35 for end homes and \$30 for middle homes. Those members who agree to such an arrangement would pay the costs over a period of time with their monthly payments. Of course, he pointed out, this would not exclude those people who so desire from painting their own homes under the corporation's self-paint program. The only restriction on painting is that all residents of a row agree on one color. The board approved Bukzin's plan and management agreed to set the machinery in motion for setting up the paint program.

Cub Pack 746 News

On Saturday morning, July 11, a group of Cubs painted Lions Club Safety slogans on North End School sidewalks.

A Family Picnic is planned for Saturday, July 25, at 4 p.m., at Greenbelt Lake. Refreshments will be provided. Parents are requested to bring their Cubs.

All Cub Scout parents are requested to attend a special monthly meeting, Saturday, July 18, at 10 a.m., at the Methodist Church to meet the new Cub Master, Pat Heizer. Further plans will be made for the family picnic.

Council To Discuss Bond Referendum

A special meeting of the city council will be held next Monday, July 20, to consider the possibility of holding in conjunction with the September city elections a referendum on a bond issue to provide the additional financing needed for the construction of the proposed fire house, recreation building, and city administration offices.

This decision was taken by the council in response to a recommendation by Bev Fonda, chairman of the Youth Center Advisory Board, that such a municipal bond issue was needed to prevent the construction program from becoming bogged down. He pointed out that the \$260,000 proceeds from the sale of the Center School are not sufficient to cover the entire cost of the Greenbelt fire department and rescue squad building and the recreation building (youth center) as originally planned.

"We have spent," Fonda said, "many weeks trying to whittle the costs of the youth center down to the \$130,000 suggested by council. We are ending up, however, with an unfinished building that will need additional funds in any event. It would be more economical to plan and construct at one time a finished product."

Fonda pointed out that a city referendum will have to be held eventually on a bond issue for the financing of the city administration building. It was his opinion that it would be more practical to provide for all the city's construction needs in one packaged bond issue. Moreover, a referendum held in conjunction with the council election would save the expenses (estimated at \$600) of holding a special referendum.

Fonda also explained that the construction of the recreation building is being held up as a result of uncertainty regarding the payment of architects' fees. Before preparing final blueprints on which construction bids can be asked, the architects want assurances that their fees will be paid. At present, the city is not in a position to give such assurances. The successful floating of a bond issue, of course, would eliminate this problem.

Some opposition to a referendum in September was expressed on the grounds that there was not sufficient time to acquaint the citizenry with the issues at stake. It was also pointed out that no precise plans or cost estimates have been made with regard to the municipal building. Fonda countered that authorization to float a bond issue could be based on rough estimates. Originally, it was thought that \$375,000 would be needed to construct the three units.

Cloverettes At Camp

By Elise Geller, Age 10

Six excited girls from the Cloverettes 4-H Club left for 4-H Camp on June 29. They were Carol Dulton, Eva Garin, Elise Geller, Carol Hurst, Jeanette Louk, and Charlotte McCautly.

It was the most fun at camp, especially since there were so many other 4-H'ers from Greenbelt there too, as well as Mrs. Cornett and Mrs. Nusinov.

We are already looking forward to camp next year, with more swimming in the beautiful lake,

Recreation Review

By Warren Leddick

Swimming Team: Last Friday night at the Hillendale Pool the much improved Greenbelt team lost a close met to Hillendale by a score of 112-134. Greenbelt was trailing 112-120 going into the relay events which are the final events in the program. The young inexperienced Greenbelt swimmers were no match for their opponents and lost both relays. Outstanding swimmers in the met were Linda Kerr, Kendra Keeney, David Snyder, who placed 1st in the freestyle and backstroke, Dennis Sisco who placed in two events. Linda Peacock took a 1st in the backstroke, Pete Regala a first in the freestyle and individual medley. Sandy Bowman placed first in three events and Ronnie Squires also placed first in three events. In the 18 year old age group Jean Lentz and Jon McEldery compiled 30 points between them with five first places and one second.

The first home meet for the Greenbelt team will be held on Saturday, July 18, at 9 a.m.

Softball League: After a week of play in the second half, last year's tournament cinderella team, the Methodist Church, leads the league. On Tuesday night the Co-op team upset the strong Athletic Club team by a score of 12-8 to tie for second place. In other games last week the Methodist Church defeated the Co-op team for its only loss 14-11. The Athletic Club defeated a much improved Community Church team 9-5, and L&N Market 12-3. St. Hugh's defeated the Community Church 10-5.

Team Standings as of July 14:

	W	L
Methodist Church	2	0
Athletic Club	2	1
Co-op	2	1
St. Hugh's	1	1
Community Church	0	2
L&N Market	0	2

Babe Ruth All-Star Games: On Friday evening, July 17, at 6 p.m. the Greenbelt All-Star team will play the District of Columbia All-Stars on Braden Field.

On Friday night, July 24, the Greenbelt team will travel to Virginia to play the Northern Virginia All-Stars at 8:30 p.m. at Falls Church High School.

This All-Star team will then compete on July 29 in the Maryland State tournament to be held at Bel Air, Md. The Greenbelt team draws a bye on the 29th and will play Harve De Grace on July 30 at 5:30 p.m. on the Bel Air High School Field.

This year's team will consist of Paul Hyland, Joe McNally, Bill Willis, Denny Moore, Kirk McCauley, James Caruso, Louis Caruso, Phil Miller, Joe Miller, Bob Radcliff, Dave Dalbow, Pat Cawley, Al Moraz, Ray Sherman, Tommy Hall, Bo McLaughlin, Ken Powell, and Alex Grant.

Community Hall Opens

Prince Georges Plaza is offering the facilities of its Community Hall to all civic groups in the county.

The Hall, which officially opened July 16, now houses the interesting and educational exhibit "Sea Power For Peace."

The Hall will be open to visitors from the 16th through the 25th, Monday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Sunday, July 19, from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Bookings now are being taken for future use and all civic groups desiring to reserve space should contact Sylvia Devey, Director of Prince Georges Plaza, 3500 East-West Highway, Hyattsville.

more camp fires, more toasted marshmallows, more short sheets, more fishing, more salamanders in the beds, more everything!

Council Investigating Alternate Sites For Labor Day Festival

By Al Skolnik

Despite a decision by the county board of education to reverse itself and permit the use of the Center School grounds for the Labor Day Festival, the city council at last Monday's meeting, July 13, decided to consider alternate sites for the Festival. It authorized city manager Charles McDonald to explore with the present and future owners of the business properties of the Center the possibility of using the Mall and Centerway from the bank to the fire house for the annual money-raising affair.

Co-op Delegation News

By Len Baron

The Greenbelt Area Delegation to the fifth GCS Co-op Congress met at the co-op offices and held a most productive meeting last Friday, July 10.

Ed Burgoon, staff employee for members relations, led off with a detailed discussion of the purchase of the city center and invited the entire delegation to a special meeting on the subject with other leading citizens on July 29 at 8 p.m. at the city offices. He also described the new huge warehouse GCS is building in Beltsville to insure that the fruits and vegetables will be garden fresh when they reach the store. His talk encouraged the acting chairman and his wife to tour the partially completed building much to their keen interest and delight. It was agreed that an opening celebration and guided tour should be held on a Sunday in September or October to which all Congressmen and interested members would be invited.

Ben Rosenzweig, chairman of the Community Room Committee, then reported that the committee had recently visited several proposed sites for this vitally needed facility and recommended a room to be equipped for meetings behind the bowling alley. It is anticipated that this room will be ready for use this fall.

A discussion was held on the proposed plans for the shopping center and an active committee was appointed consisting of Allan Morrison, Ben Rosenzweig, Carline Harper, George Sheaffer, George Reeves and Ann Jarvis, with Len Baron as chairman. As its first effort the committee will assemble on July 26 at 1 p.m. at the co-op drug store to tour several new shopping centers as a source of new ideas. All congress members and interested citizens are urged to join the tour which promises to visit among others, a very novel shopping center in Glen Burnie.

It was decided to commence a member relations program at the supermarket store on Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. each week, with two congress members on hand regularly. Ben Rosenzweig and Len Baron will lead off tomorrow night.

John McGee resigned from the Area Delegation and Mr. Vadav Meier, a veteran cooperator from Europe, was elected to replace him, pending ratification by the full Congress.

The meeting was chaired by Len Baron, delegation vice-chairman. The next meeting will be held at the co-op offices on Friday, August 7 at 8 p.m.

Baptists Give Special Program Of Music

A traveling team of five young men from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill., known as the Gospel Heralds, will conduct a service at the Greenbelt Baptist Church tomorrow evening, Friday, July 17, at 7:30 p.m.

These young men will present a program of vocal and instrumental music and a practical Christian message by the speaker for the team, Don M. Lake, a senior student from Macon, Mo., majoring in Bible. Other members of the team include Timothy R. Hickey, a senior majoring in speech, who hails from Saginaw, Mich.; Paul J. Sentman, vocalist, a sophomore who is a business major from Mason City, Ia.; Kenneth M. Viggers, Des Moines, Ia., a versatile sophomore who plays both the piano and trumpet and will sing duets with Sentman; Joel B. Streightiff, Altoona, Pa., trumpeter, a senior, and the only music major of the team.

The visit of the Gospel Heralds to the Greenbelt Baptist Church is

The reluctance of the city council to accept the offer of the board of education was based on the conditions attached to the offer. Among these conditions were no games of chance, no sale of alcoholic beverages, refusal of use of school building proper, clearing of area by noon following Labor Day, requirements for bonding and insurance, and necessity of securing approval of water and power connections from county maintenance.

Reversal of Position

The board of education had reversed itself after holding a special meeting with Mayor Tom Canning and Councilmen Alan Kistler and Ben Goldfaden on July 2. At this meeting, the education officials stressed that their original refusal was based on the fact that they could not receive assurances from Labor Day Festival chairman, Eli Don Bullion, that no games of chance or bingo would take place. Upon receiving such assurances from the attending city representatives, the board of education approved the request.

Apologies

The meeting proved embarrassing to the councilmen, Canning said, because they had entered it with the understanding that such assurances had already been given. Don Bullion had charged at the council meeting of June 8 that the board of education's refusal to grant permission was based on McDonald's opposition to the holding of a Festival.

Canning, in apologizing to the manager, stated that the county officials told him that McDonald's attitude toward the Festival had nothing to do with the original decision of the board. Bev Fonda, chairman of the Youth Center Advisory Board, also apologized for not fully investigating the facts before jumping to the conclusion that blame for the refusal rested with the manager.

Additional Policemen

In other action, the council approved a motion of Kistler to add one full-time police officer as a replacement for a part-time officer (job now vacant.) Such a move, it was hoped, would help to keep two police officers on duty for most of the evening hours.

In the discussion that followed, consideration was given to replacing all part-time policemen with full-time officers on the grounds that such a change would produce a more efficient force. Police chief Jim Williams and McDonald were asked to bring recommendations on this matter to the next council meeting.

The city council approved at final reading the construction of curbs and gutters along Crescent from Southway to Gardenway.

a part of the Youth Week activities being held this week for all junior and senior high school young people. There will be a spaghetti dinner for all youth prior to the program of the Gospel Heralds. The service presented by this team is open to everyone young in age and young in spirit.

The young people are invited to participate in the All Church Clean-Up Day on Saturday, July 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On Sunday, July 19, the morning service at 11 a.m. will feature the youth. Young people will participate in this service by leading in Scripture reading, prayers and ushering. The pastor, the Rev. Glenn W. Samuelson, will preach on the subject, "Youth Wants to Know." During the evening service at 7 p.m. the message will be entitled, "The Example of Youth." At this service young people will also take part. A report of the Women's Missionary Conference at Hood College will be given by Mrs. Elsie Pate.

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A Communication

A Statement In The Interest Of Community Understanding

The sale of the Greenbelt Center School property by the City of Greenbelt to the Prince Georges County Board of Education has created widespread community interest.

While obviously the Parent-Teachers Association of Center School, as an organization, is not called upon to comment or pass judgement on matters pertaining to non-school activities, nevertheless the executive committee of the Center School PTA felt that the presentation of factual information could add to community understanding and help to alleviate much of the concern which has been expressed. A special meeting of the Executive Committee was therefore held and City Manager McDonald and Recreation Director Leddick responded to an invitation to attend to answer questions committee members might raise.

As a result of that meeting, and on the basis of the answers received to all questions asked, the PTA Executive Committee presents the following information:

It is evident that the sale of the building has brought a financial gain to the community and that the City Council and the City Manager acted in the best interests of Greenbelt in their negotiations attendant on the sale of the Center School. A need was felt for more modern facilities, and the proceeds from the sale will enable these to be built.

While the City owned the property, it was used as a Community Center, and a variety of activities took place in the building. With the transfer of ownership to the County Board of Education, the use of the property becomes subject to the restrictions established under State law (Art. 77, Chapter 5) and the Rules and Regulations established by the Board of Education governing non-school activities carried on in ALL school properties owned by the County Board of Education.

The State Law and the Board's rules and regulations give priority to acceptable youth activities. We do not think that anyone will quarrel with this approach.

Certain activities are definitely ruled out—namely, the holding of any event which involves gambling, card playing, etc.

It is clear that most activities will be permitted continued use of the school building with the possible exceptions of bridge games, storage of band instruments, and private music lessons. The prohibition of the use of classrooms will effect certain church groups. Some groups, in all probability (such as Scouts), may be permitted to use the Kindergarten room. In the interest of preserving the gymnasium floor, roller-skating has been discontinued.

The fact that the City did not directly charge many groups for the use of the facilities has led to the widespread view that these activities were carried on without any cost being involved. Actually, total operational and maintenance costs absorbed by the City of Greenbelt were about \$22,000 annually, and a portion of this total went to support activities carried on in the building when it functioned as a Community Center. The amount mentioned above about equalled the rental paid by the Board of Education and the City Treasury was not appreciably increased by the rental income.

Recognition of the fact that the use of the building for recreational purposes involved considerable cost to the City in the past should ease somewhat the current feeling that for the first time we will have to pay for something which was formerly available gratis.

The charges for custodial service, lights and heat under the rules and regulations which will apply are apparently as close to actual cost as can be arrived at and do not appear excessive or prohibitive. At a local level, it does mean that the use of Center School will be on exactly the same basis as that which always prevailed at the North End School. Mr. Leddick plans to make use of both school facilities through regular Board of Education channels.

As for the future, plans call for the erection of a Youth Center and a Firehouse. The Firehouse is to have an auditorium which will be available for use by community groups when not being used by the Fire Department. Certainly completion of the proposed Youth Center will be something of which the community can be proud. Sale of the Community Building is the first necessary step to bring about the dream of an ideal program for the youth of Greenbelt and adequate, modern quarters for our Fire Department-Rescue Squad.

Reiterating that our purpose is to further community understanding, we hope the above information has served to bring additional light to a situation which has been the cause of some concern.

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By Elaine Skolnik, GR. 4-6060

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Lions Present Award To High Point Senior

The Annual Service Award for High Point High School was presented to Miss Irene Shepherd of Adelphi by the Greenbelt Lions Club at their meeting Monday evening at the Domino Restaurant.

This award is made each year to the student selected by the faculty for outstanding service to the school. Miss Shepherd has been President of the Thespians and Vice President of the Highlites Club and has been active in dramatics, music, and public speaking activities. She will enter Towson State Teachers College in the fall and plans a teaching career.

The Lions Club meeting was conducted by the new officers under King Lion Wayne Tucker. Plans for the work of the club in the coming year were discussed, and committee assignments were made. Under the summer schedule only one meeting will be held each month in July and August, with the next meeting to be held at the Domino Restaurant on Monday evening, August 10.

Marion Ore

Mrs. Marion Ore, formerly of Millville, N. J., died Sunday night, July 12. She had been living with her sister Mrs. Edward C. Kaighn, 8-A Southway, for several months. Burial was in Millville on Wednesday, July 15.

Ethel and Dave Fisher, 5-D Eastway, their two daughters, Rebecca and Leah, have returned from a month of travels. Their first stop was Colorado Springs where they visited relatives. Other stops were made at Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, and Disneyland before they reached Berkeley, Calif., where their son, Sholom, has been attending the graduate school of the University of California. At Oakland, Calif., they visited Ethel's sister and family, former Greenbelters, Jessie and Mayer Ludwig, and daughter Lynn. Lynn returned with the Fishers to Greenbelt. While they camped in Yellowstone Park, snow fell.

The Mayock family, 3-B Plateau, swam, boated, and fished at Lake Winnepausehee, N. H. Vacationing at Cape Cod were Ethel and Irving Gerring and their sons, 3-A Gardenway. Visiting the Falter family, 4-B Gardenway, over the weekend were David's brother, Leo, his wife and sons, of Syracuse, N. Y. House guests of the Boykoff family.

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To the Editor:

We the children think that it is unfair for the children near and in the 51 court of Ridge to have no place to play baseball. The parents who have bought baseball gloves, bats, etc., have just wasted their money.

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The Beebe family, 47-E Ridge, have just returned from a trip to Vestal, Endicott, and Binghamton, N. Y., where they had a grand time visiting friends and relatives.

Richard Weston Fonda, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Fonda, 6-A Ridge, recently pledged Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity at Duke University.

William B. Morrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. Morison, 58-H Crescent, has been appointed a

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WHEN THE SIREN BLOWS

By Rita Fisher

When the siren blows during the night, have you tried to guess what the call is for? Imagine, if you can, the thoughts of the volunteers here in Greenbelt as they are awakened by the siren. If it's one wail, it's for the Rescue Squad. Is some woman in a hurry to get to a hospital to have a baby? Has someone awakened in pain from a bad heart. Or if the siren blows thrice, is someone's home on fire, or has there been an auto accident? These men never know what they are needed for, but as they run out the door, still buttoning their shirts or pulling on their shoes, they know that someone needs help.

This week's calls consisted of a variety of emergencies. On July 7 the firemen were called out at 6:20 p.m. (probably leaving half-eaten suppers) in order to put out a grass fire on the Parkway. The Rescue Squad answered two calls that day on their own. They carried to P. G. a man whose right side appeared paralyzed.

On the 8th of July, the triple siren blew because of a fire in an auto on the Parkway. The front seat was burning and our men extinguished the fire, but in the process one of our boys needed first aid. He was treated on the scene for burned fingers. In the morning of that day the ambulance was needed to deliver a 6-year-old girl to the doctor's office. The child fell from her bicycle and suffered a cut on her forehead.

The Rescue Squad was asked to stand by at the Lake on Thursday, July 9, while the Fishing Rodeo was in progress. They were called on to remove a fish hook from a boy's finger and take him to the doctor for further treatment. During the afternoon, at 4:28 p.m., a call came in reporting an auto accident on the Parkway. An out-of-town man suffered a possible back injury and shock.

On the same day, in the evening, an invalid woman fell from her wheel chair injuring her hand, when the wheel slipped into a rut between the sidewalk and the lawn. She was taken to P. G. for examination and on the following day was taken to the hospital again for X-rays. (Aside to the men of the Rescue Squad—the lady mentioned has asked me to convey her very deep gratitude and appreciation for your prompt, kind and able assistance in her time of need.)

During the wee hours of the morning, on the 13th, the siren blew once. Those who could came afflying, and the ambulance was on its way. Where to, what for? A Greenbelt man was suffering from a mental disturbance caused by a war injury. He was taken to P. G. A little later in the day, at 10:40 a.m., the Rescue Squad was called on to administer oxygen to a man who had a heart attack in his car while on the Parkway. He was then taken to P. G. for further treatment. Later on that day there was one more call. This time someone needed transportation home from the doctor's office after being treated for a cut leg.

And now a note to readers of this column. I have been trying to keep you informed of the reasons for the sirens that sound off here in town. I do not intend to use it as a "gossip" column by naming the various persons involved. When there is something special which calls for added information, I try to contact the persons involved, but this information is usually personal and kept confidential unless something occurs which would affect the entire community's welfare. Perhaps I am leaving out certain things which have piqued your curiosity. If you write to me at 2-H Gardenway, I will try to find out whatever it is with the approval of the Fire & Rescue Squad Chiefs first, and relay the information to you via this column. Any comments would be appreciated. In the meantime I hope I have kept you informed as to what goes on when the siren blows.

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On August 9th:

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